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SUBJECT: JALLOUD BEGINS VISIT TO SWEDEN

1. PREMIER ABDEL SALAM JALLOUD OF LIBYA ARRIVED STOCKHOLM MARCH 4 AND WAS HANDSOMELY RECEIVED BY SWEDISH AUTHORITIES. JALLOUD HAD EXTENDED TALK WITH PRIME MINISTER PALME (BACKED BY SWEDISH TRADE AND ECONOMIC EXPERTS) AND HELD NEWS CONFERENCE. OVERNIGHT HE CANCELLED A SCHEDULED VISIT TO ALFA LAVAL AND L.M. ERICSSON FACTORIES TO CONTINUE TALKS WITH PALME.

2. AT NEWS CONFERENCE JALLOUD SAID LIBYA WAS READY TO LET SWEDEN PLAY MAJOR ROLE IN ITS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. ONLY SPECIFIC PROJECT HE MENTIONED WAS POSSIBLE LIBYAN INVESTMENT IN SWEDEN - CONSTRUCTION OF LIBYA-FINANCED OIL REFINERY. JALLOUD SAID LIBYAN OIL WAS AVAILABLE TO SWEDEN AT WORLD MARKET PRICES WITH NO POLITICAL STRINGS ATTACHED. HE PRAISED GOS SOLIDARITY WITH "COUNTRIES FIGHTING FOR FREEDOM AND JUSTICE."

3. SWEDISH PRESS REPORTS BASED ON GOVERNMENT BRIEFING SAID TODAY FIRST-DAY TALKS FOCUSED ON SWEDISH EXPORTS TO LIBYA
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RATHER THAN LIBYAN OIL DELIVERIES. LIBYA IS REPORTEDLY INTERESTED IN BUYING ORES, OIL TANKERS, BUILDING MATERIALS, FARM

MACHINERY AND INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT. IT IS ALSO INTERESTED IN REIMBURSABLE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. JALLOUD REPORTEDLY TOLD SWEDES THAT BALANCED TRADE OR SWEDISH PURCHASE OF CERTAIN AMOUNT OF LIBYAN OIL WERE NOT REPEAT NOT PRE-CONDITIONS FOR EXPANDED BILATERAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS.

4. JALLOUD PARTY OF 40 WILL VISIT VOLVO FACTORY IN GOTHENBURG MARCH 6 BEFORE LEAVING SWEDEN, PRESUMABLY FOR TRIPOLI.
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